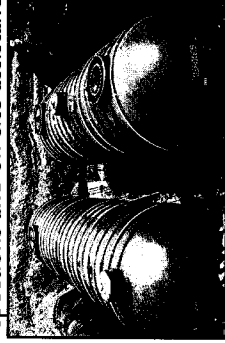


Waste & Underground Tank Management Bureau

The Waste and Underground Tank Management Bureau regulates asbestos abatement control, hazardous waste generators, clandestine methamphetamine lab clean up, motor vehicle wrecking facilities, septic pumpers, non-hazardous solid waste management facilities and Underground storage tanks. The bureau provides technical assistance and training to the regulated community and private citizens. Inspections and on-site assistance allow the Bureau to educate the public as well as maintain a clean and safe Montana.



Water Protection Bureau

The Water Protection Bureau implements the federal Clean Water Act and Montana's water quality laws through permit issuance. The bureau administers federally delegated programs for discharges associated with storm water, federal facilities and a general permit program, as well as individual permits for public and private facilities. In addition to these federal programs, the bureau administers programs for state-issued ground water discharge permits, the nondegradation policy, 401 certification, 308 and 318 programs. The bureau evaluates permit applications, monitors permit compliance, conducts inspections and provides compliance assistance to ensure beneficial uses of surface and ground waters throughout the state.



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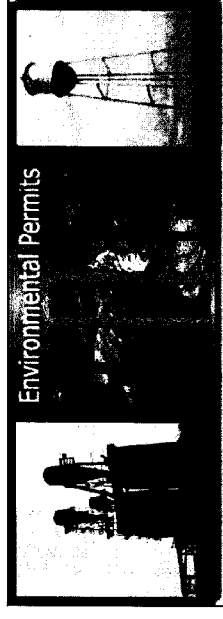
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The Permitting and Compliance Division administers all DEQ permitting and compliance activities based on 25 state regulatory and 5 related federal authorities.

The Department of Environmental Quality's mission is to protect, sustain, and improve a clean and healthful environment to benefit present and future generations

Permitting and Compliance Division

The Permitting and Compliance Division (PCD) reviews and assesses all environmental permit and license applications to determine the correct control measures and requirements needed to meet the laws and rules that have been enacted to protect the quality of the state's air, water, and land.

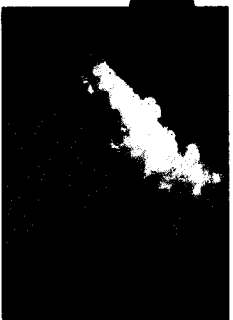
The division prepares the appropriate environmental review documents to comply with the Montana Environmental Policy Act. This work includes coordination and preparation of environmental impact statements, ensuring methods and standards are consistent with department policy, and coordination with regulatory programs in the division, the department and other state and federal agencies.

The division conducts all facility inspections and reviews reports to determine compliance with permit conditions and the laws and regulations. If violations are discovered, the division provides the technical assistance needed to bring the facility back into compliance or prepares an enforcement request for further action by the Enforcement Division.



Bitterroot

AIR RESOURCES MANAGEMENT BUREAU



The Air Resources Management Bureau is responsible for implementation of the Montana and Federal Clean Air Acts. Specific func-

tions include the issuance of permits for new and/or modified sources of air pollution under federally approved major and minor source air quality permitting programs; the administration of a registration program for oil and gas well production facilities; the implementation of a smoke management program, including the issuance of permits to major open burners; and conducting compliance inspections of permitted and registered facilities. Further, the Bureau conducts ambient air quality monitoring and various planning activities to ensure compliance with health based ambient air quality standards state-wide. Finally, the Bureau develops rules and policies and performs technical, administrative, and clerical tasks that support these activities.

INDUSTRIAL & ENERGY MINERALS BUREAU

The Industrial & Energy Minerals Bureau issues permit and permit modification decisions for mining and reclamation of Opencut minerals and Coal and Uranium minerals to ensure that mineral development which occurs does so with adequate protection of environmental resources. The bureau conducts compliance evaluations to assess conformity with Opencut mining and Coal and Uranium requirements, and provides compliance assistance to the regulated community.



Charles Graham site, Missoula County

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU



The Environmental Management Bureau regulates activities governed by the Montana Metal Mine Reclamation Act and the Major Facility Siting Act (MESA). The bureau coordinates the permitting process for proposed "hard rock" mines and quarries, issues permits when appropriate, inspects permitted mining operations and ensures that disturbed areas are properly reclaimed after mining ends. It also performs environmental reviews for large powerlines, and pipelines or geothermal facilities proposed under the MESA.

500 kV Transmission Lines NW of Ropelje

PUBLIC WATER & SUBDIVISION BUREAU

The Public Water and Subdivisions Bureau regulates public drinking water and subdivision facilities in



Montana. The Public Water Supply Section assures that public health is maintained through a safe adequate supply of drinking water. These functions are achieved by technical reviews, licensing, certifications, compliance monitoring, training and technical assistance. The Section also licenses operators of certain public drinking water and wastewater treatment facilities. The Subdivision Review Section reviews applications for proposed subdivisions to ensure compliance with the Sanitation in Subdivisions Act.